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| In re Application of: |) | Group Art Unit: 3679 |
| David DeRogatis <i>et al.</i> |) | |
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| ASSEMBLY |) | |

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

In response to the Final Office Action mailed September 22, 2006, and the Advisory Action mailed November 6, 2006, the following amendments and remarks are submitted for the Examiner's consideration along with a Request for Continued Examination. The Applicants note that the three-month deadline for filing a response to the Final Office Action is December 22, 2006; thus, this Amendment and RCE is timely.